

*Wilmington City Council
Wilmington, Delaware
January 16, 2025*

City Council met in regular session with remote participation on the above date at 6:30 p.m., President Ernest M. Congo, II presiding.

The opening prayer was done by Mariaelena Rivera, Deputy City Clerk.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by City Council.

ROLL CALL

The following members responded to the Call of the Roll: Council Members Owens*(virtual), Oliver, Harlee, Willauer, McCoy, Johnson*, N. Field, Bracy, Cabrera*(virtual), Hackett, and Council President Congo. Total, eleven. Absent with leave, Council Members Darby and Spadola.

MINUTES

After reading a portion of the minutes of December 12, 2024, upon a motion of Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Oliver, it was moved they be accepted as written. Motion prevailed.

After reading a portion of the minutes of January 7, 2025, upon a motion of Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Oliver and Harlee, it was moved they be accepted as written. Motion prevailed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The City Clerk read the following committee report:

Finance & Economic Development Committee Member	Present	Absent w Leave	Absent w/out Leave
Michelle Harlee, Chair	y		
Latisha Bracy, Vice Chair	y		
Shané N. Darby		y	
Alexander D. Hackett	y		
Zanthia Oliver	y		
James Spadola		y	
Ernest "Trippi" Congo, Ex-Officio	y		

President and Members of Council of
January 13, 2025
The City of Wilmington

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, your Finance & Economic Development Committee met by **anchor location and remote participation**, to who was referred **Ordinance No. 25-001** entitled:

FISCAL
AMEND
AN ORDINANCE CONSTITUTING AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO THE
YEAR 2025 OPERATING BUDGET (BEING AN ORDINANCE TO
SUBSTITUTE NO. 1 TO ORDINANCE 24-016)

Have given this Ordinance careful study and recommend Council vote on it accordingly.

Respectfully submitted, Members of
Finance & Economic Development Committee

Upon a motion of Council Member Harlee, seconded by Council Members McCoy and Bracy, the Report was received, recorded and filed. Motion prevailed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The following Treasurer's Report for January 16, 2025 was read into the record by City Clerk and upon a motion of Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Harlee, the Report was received, recorded and filed. Motion prevailed.

Note: The Treasurer's Report is included herein as an insert from Page 3 to Page 6.

**Note: During this time, Council Members Owens and Cabrera were recognized as being present virtually and reflected in the minutes herein (Roll Call).*

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City of Wilmington



DaWayne Sims
City Treasurer

Treasurer's Report January 16, 2025

Cash - Ledger Balance (as of 01/15/2025):

General	M & T Bank	\$ 8,281,427.00
Payroll	M & T Bank	\$ 1,555,076.47
Law Department Court Costs	M & T Bank	\$ 4,632.07
Total Petty Cash	M & T Bank	\$ 25,913.65
Police - Evidence Found (Currency)	M & T Bank	\$ 1,233,929.95
Police & Fire Remembrance	M & T Bank	\$ 12,844.49
Police Department Discretionary	M & T Bank	\$ 17,576.46
Rent Withholding Escrow	M & T Bank	\$ 18,987.97
Grant-in-Aid	M & T Bank	\$ 112,760.87
Community Development Block Grant	M & T Bank	\$ 1.00
Capital Projects	M & T Bank	\$ 1.00
Total Cash on Hand		\$ 11,263,150.93

Cash Equivalents & Investments (as of 01/15/2025):

Account Type & Fund	Institution	Investment Type	Number of Days	Interest Rate	Interest Receivable	Investment Amount
LIQUIDITY:						
General	M&T	Overnight Repo	Daily	3.99%	\$ 2,148.03	\$ 26,229,513.24
General	TD	High Yield Checking	15	3.70%	\$ 20,381.43	\$ 13,220,387.18
General	TD	High Yield Checking	15	3.70%	\$ 36,495.07	\$ 23,672,480.64
General	TD	High Yield Checking	15	3.67%	\$ 1,316.89	\$ 861,180.16
SUB-TOTAL:						\$ 63,983,561.22
RESERVE:						
Police & Fire Remem.	WSFS	CD	1/23/2025	4.88%	\$ 1,168.38	\$ 26,124.17
General	TD	CD	1/20/2025	4.31%	\$ 122,554.24	\$ 31,019,844.60
General	TD	CD*	1/16/2025	4.31%	\$ 38,886.58	\$ 10,477,636.13
SUB-TOTAL:						\$ 41,523,604.90
RESTRICTED:						
Capital Project	TD	CD	1/16/2025	4.31%	\$ 5,278.42	\$ 1,422,222.12
Capital Project	TD	CD	1/16/2025	4.31%	\$ 123.02	\$ 33,147.00
Capital Project	TD	CD	1/16/2025	4.31%	\$ 28,735.92	\$ 7,742,632.41
Water/Sewer	PNC	T-Bills	2/11/2025	4.32%	\$ 99,900.00	\$ 15,634,500.00
State Bonds Proceeds	TD	CD	1/16/2025	4.31%	\$ 8,280.94	\$ 2,231,224.42
SUB-TOTAL						\$ 27,063,725.95
Total Investments						\$ 152,346,092.07
Total Cash on Hand						\$ 11,263,150.93
Grand Total						\$ 163,609,243.00

* Budget Reserve

* Restricted use: Per ARPA US Treasury Guidelines

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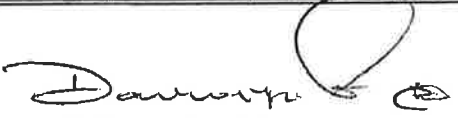
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Cash - Ledger Balance (as of 01/15/2025):

Pension Payroll	M & T Bank	\$	73,161.19
Retiree Healthcare	M & T Bank	\$	120,961.53
Police Pension	M & T Bank	\$	1,381,590.15
Fire Pension	M & T Bank	\$	747,338.88
Non-Uniform Pension Act of 1990-Plan 3	M & T Bank	\$	342,606.94
Non-Uniform Pension Plan 2	M & T Bank	\$	1,000.00
Old Non-Uniform Pension - Plan 1	M & T Bank	\$	1,592.81
Total Cash on Hand		\$	2,668,251.50

Cash Equivalents (as of 01/15/2025) & Investments (Market Value as of Jan 10, 2025)

Account Type & Fund	Institution	Investment Type	Maturity Date	Interest Rate	Interest Receivable	Investment Amount
LIQUIDITY:						
Fire Pension III	TD	CD	1/21/2025	4.78%	\$ 16,465.25	\$ 2,000,098.26
SUB-TOTAL:						\$ 2,000,098.26
RESERVE:						
Pension Trust	Rhumblin (S&P 500)					\$ 111,052,071.00
Pension Trust	Earnest Partners					\$ 17,909,667.00
Pension Trust	Dodge & Cox					\$ 13,414,181.00
Pension Trust	Artisan Global					\$ 14,306,443.00
Pension Trust	MFS Low Global					\$ 14,932,070.00
Pension Trust	Fidelity Total Intl. Index					\$ 17,255,874.00
Pension Trust	Harding Loevner					\$ 2,303,940.00
Pension Trust	Fidelity Emerging					\$ 2,911,891.00


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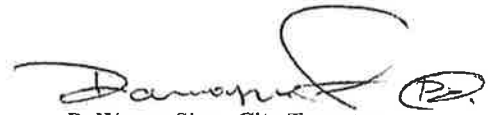
Investments (Market Value Jan 10, 2025)

Account Type & Fund	Institution	Investment Type	Maturity Date	Interest Rate	Interest Receivable	Investment Amount
RESERVE:						
Pension Trust	Clarion Lion					\$ 9,456,713.00
Pension Trust	Morgan Stanley					\$ 7,752,152.00
Pension Trust	JP Morgan					\$ 16,376,951.00
Pension Trust	LM Capital Core					\$ 33,037,676.00
Pension Trust	Rhumblin Core					\$ 28,935,286.00
Pension Trust	Fidelity Bond Index					\$ 9,418,144.00
Pension Trust	Money Market					\$ 2,747,536.00
Pension Trust	OPEB Trust Fund					\$ 35,851,987.00
SUB-TOTAL						\$ 337,662,582.00
Total Investments						\$ 339,662,680.26
Total Cash on Hand						\$ 2,668,251.50
Grand Total						\$ 342,330,931.76

Total Funds under Treasury Management:

Total Investments						\$ 492,008,772.33
Total Cash on Hand						\$ 13,931,402.43
Grand Total¹						\$ 505,940,174.76

¹ Excludes non-City funds held in trust on behalf of City employees (Mass Mutual)


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NON-LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

Upon a motion of Council Member McCoy and Cabrera, seconded by Council Member Harlee, the following non-legislative resolutions were accepted into the record and motion prevailed:

- a. Recognition Resolutions
 - All Council Recognize Tanya Washington
 - All Council Recognize Haitian Independence Day
 - Cabrera Recognize Carolyn Peak

- b. Sympathy Resolutions
 - All Council Sympathy Chief Apostle Patricia C. Williams
 - All Council Sympathy Isabella Fitzgerald (Former Pennsylvania State Representative)
 - All Council Sympathy Richard "Mouse" Smith
 - Cabrera Sympathy Hugo F. "Fred" Bourdon, III
 - Cabrera Sympathy Edwin Rodriguez, Sr.
 - Cabrera Sympathy Victor B. Padovani
 - Harlee Sympathy Leroy David Grayson
 - Oliver Sympathy Stephanie Pinkney
 - Oliver Sympathy Gertie Black Ross
 - Oliver Sympathy Robert Craig Tann
 - Oliver Sympathy Buffel W. Wingfield
 - Spadola Sympathy Howard G. Sholl, Jr.

**Note: During this time, Council Member Johnson were recognized as being present and reflected in the minutes herein (Roll Call).*

PUBLIC COMMENTS

At this time, President Congo opened up the floor for public comments and the following individuals spoke:

- o Tony Dunn
- o Alicia Clark
- o Keda Dorsica
- o Midline Estimble

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

On behalf of President Congo, Council Member Harlee presented Ordinance No. 25-001 (Agenda #0005) and called for the third and final reading as follows:

CONSTITUTING AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO THE FISCAL YEAR
2025 OPERATING BUDGET (BEING AN ORDINANCE TO
AMEND SUBSTITUTE NO. 1 TO ORDINANCE NO.
24-016)

Upon a motion of Council Member Harlee, seconded by Council Members McCoy, Johnson and Oliver, the Ordinance was before the Council for its consideration. Motion prevailed.

Council Member Harlee spoke to the Ordinance. Council Member Johnson requested to be added as a co-sponsor. Council Member Oliver made comments and requested to be added as a co-sponsor. President Congo made comments. Council Member Owens made comments and requested to be added as a co-sponsor. Council Member Harlee made closing comments.

President Congo requested the Clerk to call the roll.

The above-referenced Ordinance was read for the third and final time and was adopted by the following Yea and Nay Roll Call Vote: Yeas, Council Members Owens, Oliver, Harlee, Willauer, McCoy, Johnson, Field, Bracy, Cabrera, Hackett and President Congo. Total, eleven. Absent, Council Members Darby and Spadola. Total, two.

President Congo declared the Ordinance **adopted**.

On behalf of President Congo, Council Member Hackett presented Ordinance No. 25-002 (Agenda #0006) and called for the first and second reading entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE AN
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON AND THE
LERRO CORPORATION FOR ON-SITE ENGINEERING SERVICES
FOR THE WITN TV STATION

The above-referenced Ordinance was given two separate readings by title only and upon a motion of Council Member Hackett, seconded by Council Member McCoy, the Ordinance was received, recorded and referred to the Finance & Economic Development Committee. Motion prevailed.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Council Members and Council President spoke on the following: Martin Luther King Jr. Day events, Civic Association meeting dates, Delaware Music School concert, welcoming new Council Members; and including but not limited to everyone was thanked for joining tonight's meeting and was encouraged to contact Council Office with any questions and/or concerns.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion of Council Members Bracy and Johnson seconded by Council Members McCoy and Harlee Council adjourned at 7:34 p.m. Motion prevailed.

Note: More detailed information is reflected in the videotape of the January 16, 2025 City Council meeting at the following link:

<https://www.witn22.org/programs/#/?video=4137>

Attest: Akira Grenardo
Akira Grenardo, City Clerk